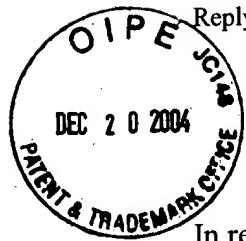


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This is in response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2004, for which the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on January 12, 2005. While it is believed that no additional extension of time or any other additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any further extension of time and to charge any additional fees which may be required for this response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-2252.

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of October 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims** which begin on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.